THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

Department of Music

Christmas Concert

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA
MADRIGAL SINGERS

and

THE CONCERT CHOIR
Larry Cook, conductor

THE ST. CECILIA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
Michael Bowie, conductor

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA BRASS ENSEMBLES

Sunday, December 12, 1976, 7:30 p.m.
All Saints' Cathedral

Program

Antiphony No. 2 (Christmas Motet) ..... Giovanni Gabrieli
(1557-1612)

The University of Alberta Brass Choir

Four Carols ..... Manus Sasonkin
(b. 1930)

The Virgin Sang to Her Child
Three Kings
Rejoice Greatly
A King is Born Upon This Day

The University of Alberta Madrigal Singers

Concerto Grosso in G minor, Op. 6, No. 6 ... George Frederic Handel
(1685-1759)

Largo affettuoso
A tempo giusto
Musette: Larghetto
Allegro
Allegro

Robert Miskey and Dianne Vaasjo, violins
Victoria Clarke, cello; Janice Waite, harpsichord
The St. Cecilia Chamber Orchestra

Three Pieces ..... Anthony Holborne
(d. 1602)
(arr. John Glasel)

Muy Linda
Pavan
Gailliard

Neil Corlett and Katharine Jowett, trumpets
Gerald Onciul, French horn
David Archer, trombone; John Thompson, bass trombone

Gabriel's Message ..... Basque Carol, arr. David Willcocks
(b. 1919)

O magnum mysterium ..... Cristóbal de Morales
(c. 1500-1553)

The Three Kings ..... Healey Willan
(1880-1968)

Ding Dong! Merrily on High ..... arr. Charles Wood

The Holly and the Ivy ..... arr. Reginald Jacques

Alles was Odem hat (All breathing life,
praise ye the Lord) ..... J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

The Concert Choir

Three Christmas Carols ..... arr. David Willcocks

O come, all ye faithful
God rest you merry, gentlemen
The first Noel

The Choirs, The St. Cecilia Chamber Orchestra and the Audience

Christmas Carols

O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful,
Joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold him
Born the King of Angels:
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

God of God,
Light of Light,
Lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
Very God,
Begotten, not created:
O come, etc.

Sing, choirs of angels,
Sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;
Glory to God
In the highest:
O come, etc.

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
Born this happy morning,
Jesu, to thee be glory giv'n;
Word of the Father,
Now in flesh appearing:
O come, etc.

GOD REST YOU MERRY, GENTLEMEN

God rest you merry, gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ our Savior
Was born upon this day,
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
Comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav'nly Father
A blessed angel came,
and unto certain shepherds
Brought tidings of the same,
Now that in Bethlehem was born
The Son of God by name:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
Comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

Now to the Lord sing praises,
All you within this place,
And with true love and brotherhood
Each other now embrace;
This holy tide of Christmas
All others doth deface:
O tidings of comfort and joy,
Comfort and joy,
O tidings of comfort and joy.

THE FIRST NOEL

The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep:
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

They looked up and saw a star,
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night:
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

This star drew nigh to the northwest;
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay:
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel!

Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heav'nly Lord,
That hath made heav'n and earth of naught,
And with his blood mankind hath bought:
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,
Born is the King of Israel!